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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended before examination as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, line 8, after the title, insert - This application is a continuation application of Serial No. 08/673,255 filed on June 28, 1996. *Now U.S. PAT. NO. 6,066,227*

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-12 without prejudice and insert new claims 13-27 to read as follows:

4-13. (New) A computer system which organizes each data unit received by or generated by the computer system comprising:

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited this date with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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